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What Baptists Believe About Justification

By REV. M. GLENN SMITH

We believe that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God; that there is none righteous—no, not one; if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. We believe that the wages of sin is death, which is separation from God—with all that that involves.

In theology Justification means: remission from sin, or absolution from guilt.

Now how can, or does, an individual become justified before God?

As Baptists, we believe that the individual is justified by the grace of God, through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, plus absolutely nothing!! We believe that it is the gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8,9.

We read, in perhaps the most quoted verse of the Bible, John 3:16 that:

"God so loved the world (all people) that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." This truly shows that God's plan of justification is by faith, on the part of the individual, in the Son—His only be-

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Sees Wide Southern Baptist Expansion

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (RNS)—Southern Baptists must establish 5,000 new churches in the next 10 years to meet demands resulting from the nation's rapidly increasing population and the denomination's "normal expansion," a Southern Baptist Convention official said here.

Dr. Albert McClellan, associate secretary of the convention's executive committee, also told delegates attending the 10th annual Southern Baptist City Missions Conference here that 5,500 new congregations had been established since 1931. He said 600 of these had been formed in the last year alone.

Southern Baptists will "start expanding at a much heavier pace" in the far West during the next "four or five years," Dr. McClellan said. He added that places will have to be found within the next seven years for some 10,000 young men now training for the ministry at Southern Baptist colleges and seminaries.

The conference here was at—



REV. M. GLENN SMITH

Members Lead Churches In Security Balloting

The second week of balloting in the vital proposal to adopt the new Ministers Security Plan finds members of the Ministers Retirement Plan more prompt in sending in ballots than their churches.

By Monday, March 8, 128 ballots favoring the new plan had been received from members while only 92 had come in from their respective churches.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, urges the churches to send in their cards as soon as possible because the pastor cannot enter the new Ministers' Security Plan without the church also entering.

"It is believed that most of the churches will come in, however," he declared, adding that "church action is necessary usually in business conferences and will be slower naturally than the quick re-

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What Christian Education Means To Public Schools

Editor's Note: April is the month for emphasis on Christian Education among the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention. Every pastor and Training Union Director in the State has received a kit for guidance in the program for this emphasis. It is the hope of the Education Commission of the State Convention, led by Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins of the First Church Jackson, that these materials will be used effectively.

This series of articles (three more) were written by the member of a special committee from the Education Commission and are designed to add further ma-

terial for use in the emphasis on Christian Education during April. If further information is needed you may write the Education Commission of the Mississippi Convention, Jackson, Miss. and they will be pleased to give you all the information and materials available.

BY PROF. VIRGIL L. BIGHAM, JR.

We construct buildings of brick and mortar that serve only as a place to house our schools. The instruction is as strong or as weak as the instructors. A teacher without depth of character cannot teach and develop character traits. You may see an individual without character, but you never see a "real" Christian is guiding the

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Mission Gifts Up

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—Southern Baptists gave \$802,640 to the Cooperative Program during the month of February, according to Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn. This brings the year's total in mission gifts for the first two months of this year to \$1,778,723, an increase of \$54,665, or 3.17 per cent over the same period last year.

Designated gifts for February total \$1,892,722, bringing the year's designated gifts to \$3,167,966. This is an increase of \$1,190,913 or 60.24 per cent over the same period in 1953.

Eight states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, District of Columbia, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Virginia failed to show an increase in Cooperative Program gifts over the first two months of 1953.

The Sunday School Department is calling upon the churches to join in a great, united effort now to locate and enrol thousands and tens of thousands of babies in Sunday School through the Cardle Roll. Here is a ready opportunity to complete our job of enrolling "A Million More in '54"—a vast convention-wide Baby Hunt.

Dr. G. S. Dobbins declares that perhaps the greatest development in the ministry of our churches in the past twenty-five years has been the rediscovery of the child. The program of reaching and ministering to child life in our Southern Baptist churches is in keeping with the evaluation Jesus placed upon children and with the growing

Presentation Of History To Feature W.M.U Meet

Miss Alma Hunt, Dr. Paul Caudill To Be Among Visiting Personalities



MISS ALMA HUNT

The release and presentation of "Hearts the Lord Opened", the eagerly-awaited history of the Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union, will feature the 76th annual convention of the body, scheduled for Jackson's First Church, March 20-April 1.

Mrs. George W. Riley, of Clinton, chairman of the History Committee of the State W. M. U. has announced that a special convention edition of the book would be placed on sale at the close of the Wednesday morning session following its preview and a special message by Miss Alma Hunt, Birmingham executive secretary, Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Miss Almarine Brown, of Jackson, president, will preside over the sessions of the convention, to begin Tuesday night and adjourn at noon Thursday.

1500 women, coming from every section of the state and representing the nearly 1000 W. M. S. organizations, are expected to attend.

Other program personalities will include Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor, First Baptist Church, Memphis; Miss Irene Chambers, Atlanta, field representative, Home Mission Board; Rev. John De Foore, missionary to Alaska; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, state executive secretary; Dr. J. H. Kyzar, pastor, First Church, Greenwood, and member of the Foreign Mission Board; Rev. and Mrs. John Parker and Miss Edythe Montroy, missionaries to Chile; Miss Edwina Robinson, Jackson, state W. M. U. executive secretary; and Dr. and Mrs. Hendon Harris, missionaries to China.

The Diamond Jubilee Convention was held last year, featured by a pageant which portrayed the glorious 75 year history of the organization.

Spain Jails Baptist Pastor

RICHMOND, Va. — Señor Aurelio del Campo, a Spanish Baptist pastor in his early sixties, is in the Valencia jail serving a 45-day sentence, according to reports which have just reached the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board headquarters.

The story of his arrest and imprisonment follows:

Late last fall the little Baptist Church of Navarres, about 40 miles from Valencia, called Senior del Campo as its pastor. He accepted the call and, with his family, arrived in Navarres on December 16.

Upon his arrival he was notified that he was to go to the mayor's

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Southern Baptist Sunday Schools On Baby Hunt For "Million More"

By J. N. BARNETTE

birth rate and increasing child population in our country.

With the slogan "A Christian Home for Every Child" as a

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All Stewardship Chairmen To Be Listed In Next Week's Record

As previously announced all the associational stewardship chairmen in the state thus far elected will be carried in next week's Baptist Record, according to Rev. Joe Abrams, director of promotion.

The names of two additional stewardship chairmen reached the state office week before last and this past week two more new chairmen were reported, these from Choctaw and Copiah counties.

Every association that has not

named a stewardship chairman is urged to do so immediately and report his identity to the office of director of promotion.

The chairmen will this year be very active in the promotion of Christian Stewardship Week, Oct. 31-Nov. 7 and every association is urged to select one.

To date approximately 56 of the 75 associations have reported a chairman.

What Baptists Believe
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In verse 18 of the same chapter we find: "He that believeth on Him is not condemned." If a person is not condemned, then he must be justified; for all have sinned and God can not look upon sin. So justification is by faith on the part of the individual in God's only begotten Son.

In verse 36 of the third chapter of John we find: "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life." The wages of sin is death, and all have sinned. But he that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life—or is justified. I is by grace through faith in the Son.

We find in Romans 5:8,9 that: "God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Christ died for us sinners. "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him." We are sinners. We are justified by His blood: through our faith, personal faith, in His blood; the blood that he shed when he died for us while we were yet sinners.

In Hebrews 10:1-10, we find that the law had but a shadow of good things and that through the sacrifices made year by year they found no perfect peace. So the Lord Jesus came to do the will of the Father and fulfilled the law and thus took away the old, and gave himself as an offering for the sins of the world. We believe that through this offering made by Jesus Christ, "once for all," that the individual, by personal faith in Him, is justified.

In I Peter 3:18 God tells us that: "Christ hath suffered for our sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us (us sinners) to God, being put to death in the flesh but quickened by the spirit." Only through him can we come to God. We, as individuals, are justified or accepted unto God only through His Son, Jesus Christ. There is no other way. His righteousness—the Son's righteousness—is imputed or credited unto us on the basis of our acceptance of Him or our personal faith in Him.

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life (is justified) and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." John 3:36.

We believe that Justification is by grace on the part of God, though faith, on the part of the individual, in the shed blood of Jesus Christ; and we believe that: "There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Acts 4:12.

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Sees Wide Southern

(Continued From Page One) tended by 152 mission experts from 45 cities, including superintendents of city missions, city mission committee members, state executive secretaries, state superintendents of missions, pastors and other denominational leaders.

Rev. T. L. Sasser, city missions superintendent at Greensboro, N. C., was elected president of the conference to succeed Rev. A. L. Luther of Oklahoma City, Okla. treasurer.

Southern Baptist

(Continued From Page One) motivating spirit, thousands of churches have seen in the Cradle Roll ministry a wonderful and logical opportunity to begin a program of Bible teaching and evangelism for the entire family. Four million babies are born into the homes of our land every year. Some of our churches have responded to the challenge of the increasing number of babies in their community by strengthening their Cradle Roll organization and going out to enrol them in a concentrated Baby Hunt.

We have asked the pastors of some of the churches that have used this plan to share their conviction about its value:

"The Baby Hunt is not only a quick way, but it affords one of most permanent means of building the Sunday School enrolment. We stage two Baby Hunts each year—one in October and one in March. Last October our Cradle Roll visitors enrolled 8 babies in one week. We plan to enrol 100 the first week of March. The Cradle Roll will be a large factor in reaching our goal of a 35 per cent enrolment gain in 1954.

"We find that most Cradle Roll babies are later enrolled in other departments of the Sunday school together with other members of the family. In 1952-53, eight-six of our Cradle Roll babies enrolled in our nurseries. Fourteen who were

promoted to a Beginner department from the Cradle Roll were enrolled within three months.

"There were 31 additions to the church last year from families first ministered to by the Cradle Roll, 22 of these for baptism. Brother Pastor, staff your Cradle Roll adequately and call on them to spearhead your church's final drive for victory in your enrolment goal for 1954."

Clayborn Deering, pastor Exchange Avenue Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

"Believe in the worthwhileness of a Baby Hunt? I'll say we do. During the first four months of the church year, our school reported a net gain of 160, with 65 of these coming from the results of our Baby Hunt held on Thursday, January 28.

"Guided by Children's director, Elizabeth Hutchins, our five Cradle Roll departments co-operated beautifully in planning and conducting this enlistment effort. Follow-up visitation resulted in ten thousand babies enrolled, and many good prospects secured for other age groups. We would heartily endorse this enlistment plan as both possible and profitable for every church in reaching "A Million More in '54."

C. C. Warren, pastor, Keener Pharr, educational director, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina.

What about your Sunday school? Do you have babies in the community who are unenrolled? They can be enrolled if you will go after them. Organize a baby hunt in your Sunday school and reach whole families for Baptist churches and Christ.

Rev. Blount Davidson of Montgomery, Ala., was named vice-president and Rev. Herbert Schmitz of Evansville, Ind., secretary-treasurer.

East Howard, Biloxi, Breaks Ground

The membership of the East Howard Church, Biloxi, "broke ground" Sunday, February 28, for a new educational building which will be constructed adjacent to the present church building which has served for more than 20 years.

The pastor, Rev. H. Fred Williams, turned a spade of earth at the northwest corner of the building site, and George Ellzey, a deacon, led in prayer to dedicate the erection of the new building.

The event marked the completion of Rev. and Mrs. Williams' first year of service at the East Howard Church. He came to Biloxi on March 1, 1953, from the Glade Church of Laurel.

The new building will be 110 feet by 63 feet in dimensions, two stories high, built of red brick and will provide for a Sunday School of 500 people.

Two fully equipped nurseries, a beginner department, choir room, adult classrooms, church office, and pastor's study will be on the first floor, in addition to the kitchen and small auditorium.

For many years the church has been known as the Second Baptist Church. On March 1, 1953, the church voted to change its name to East Howard Church.

The building committee is composed of Charles G. Desorte, Glen P. Huffstetter, Mrs. Percy Landry, R. D. Baker, M. J. Hegwood, John Stewart, and Rev. H. Fred Williams.

During the past twelve months the Church has enjoyed a phenomenal growth. There have been 181 additions, and adjacent lot was purchased for an educational building, Sunday School attendance has

DONALD MANUAL IS ORDAINED TO MINISTRY

Donald Manual has been ordained to the Gospel ministry by the First Church of Pass Christian, Rev. W. S. Allen, pastor.

Mr. Manual, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Manual of Pass Christian, is a student at Mississippi College and has accepted the call to the Riverside Church of the Gulf Coast Association.

Those having part in the ordination service were Dr. G. C. Hodge, Dr. Joe T. Odle, Rev. Fred Roth, Rev. R. C. Clardy, Rev. John Green, Rev. O. B. Anderson, and Rev. P. S. Dodge, Sr.

Mrs. Chester Quarles To Lead Conference

Mrs. Chester L. Quarles, of Jackson state approved Training Union primary leader, will direct the conferences for the primary leadership section at the Louisiana State Baptist Training Union Convention in Monroe March 19.

Mrs. Quarles, an active member of the Training Union of her home church, Ridgecrest, has taught on the faculty of the Training Union Leadership Weeks at Ridgecrest and other meetings.

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Pastor And Laymen's Conference Organized For Webster-Oktibbeha

Meeting with the Mathiston Church on March 1st, pastors and laymen from Oktibbeha and Webster counties completed organization of a pastor's and layman's conference with regular meetings scheduled monthly on Monday after the second Sunday.

Officers elected were: President, Dr. Wilburn S. Smith, Starkville; vice-president and chairman of the program committee, Rev. B. D. Hardin, Mathiston; secretary, Rev. J. W. Nolen, Stewart; chorister, Rev. Ulvie Fitts, Mantee. All meetings of the conference will be held with the Mathiston Church with the ladies of the host church serving dinner. Purpose of the conference is to promote a spirit of fellowship and to serve as a medium of inspiration, information and mutual cooperation among Baptists in the two counties who are already cooperating in a joint mission program under the leadership of Rev. Frank Armstrong, recently employed as missions director of the two associations.

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Members Lead Churches

(Continued From Page One) shown by the pastors'.

A total of 231 of the active male members of the Ministers Retirement Plan in the state must return favorable ballots before the new plan will become effective on July 1 in Mississippi.

These ballots of the 231 must be accompanied by ballots of their churches however to make the vote complete.

The new Ministers Security Plan contains five basic increased benefits over the 2 present Plan's and calls for an increase in dues.

The state convention put its approval on the new plan last November and now the churches and members are urged to send in their ballots.

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More State Money For Religious Group

There is now before the Mississippi House of Representatives Senate Bill No. 1422 entitled "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE BUILDING COMMISSION TO PAY TO THE CITY OF JACKSON A SUM NOT TO EXCEED FOURTEEN THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR AND 62-100 DOLLARS (\$14,824.62) FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON PROPERTY ABUTTING ST. DOMINIC-JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL."

Mississippians should rise in righteous indignation over this outright gift to a religious organization. St. Dominic's Hospital is owned and operated by the Catholics. They have a right to own and operate as many hospitals as they desire, but not at state expense. But this bill is a gift of Mississippi money to that organization.

It is our opinion that they have already given enough. The site on which the new St. Dominic's is being constructed was sold this religious organization at what many think was a very, very low price. One person described the price as "a song."

Now that the city has paved the street is no reason the state should pay the bill.

We bought a home a few years ago and one year later the side street was paved. No state money was offered us to pay for same.

It is also a matter of record that sometime ago the old Blind School property was up for sale. Sealed bids were received. The bid of the Baptist Hospital was the highest.

Did the Baptist Hospital get the property at that price which was the highest bid received? They did not. They were forced to add several thousand dollars to their already highest bid. They were not permitted to buy this adjacent and much needed property at a very low figure as was St. Dominic's. They were not even permitted to buy it at the highest bid.

In other words, St. Dominic's should pay its own paving bill and not expect the state to do so.

If this bill passes the house and their paving is paid for them by you and me the next legislature will probably be asked for money to pay for something else.

We suggest that our readers ask their representative to read Section 100 of the Mississippi Constitution of 1890. It reads as follows:

"No obligation or liability or any person, association, or corporation held or owned by this state, or levee board, or any county, city, or town thereof, shall ever be remitted, released or postponed, or in any way diminished by the leg-



islature, nor shall such liability or obligation be extinguished except by payment thereof into the proper treasury; nor shall such liability or obligation be exchanged or transferred except upon payment of its face value; but this shall not be construed to prevent the legislature from providing by general law for the compromise of doubtful claims."

St. Dominic's Hospital is doing a good work in Jackson, but let it be supported by its owners as is the Baptist Hospital.

We still believe in the separation of church and state.

Unless acted upon before this is in print, our readers should contact their representatives and express their desires concerning this gift to a sectarian institution.

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What The Figures Show

Last week there was published in the Baptist Record a long list of figures that recorded the giving of Mississippi Baptists to the world wide mission program. The figures included only the contributions received in the office of the executive secretary-treasurer from November 1 through January 31. Please note that the money received in February was not included in the report. These contributions will be reported in the second quarter's report.

A careful study of these figures shows that all of our 1696 churches with the exception of 365 have given something to world missions either as a designated contribution or through the Cooperative Program. This is the best record for the first quarter, we believe, that Mississippi Baptists have ever

been able to report. It is most gratifying to see our churches respond in such a wonderful way. We trust that these 365 churches that have given nothing so far this convention year to missions will do so soon.

A further study of the figures reveal that 1020 of our 1696 churches have contributed through the Cooperative Program \$317,813.10. (Please remember that these figures do not include February's contributions.) We are positive that this is the best record of giving in the first quarter of the Convention year we have ever been able to publish in the history of Mississippi Baptists. This is proof positive that our people do believe in the Cooperative Program and are proving that belief by concerted action.

The fact remains, however, that 676 churches have not yet contributed through the Cooperative Program this Convention year. Wouldn't it be wonderful if every church would do so every month? Some small churches hold back their contributions because they do not have much to send. It would be better for the treasurer to send in the contribution each month, whether the amount was large or small, and report the amount in the monthly business meeting of the church.

We are still behind in our percentage increase of giving through the Cooperative Program if we are to reach our tremendous goal of \$1,500,000.00 for this year. During the first quarter we have attained a 15% increase which is very good but not good enough to attain our goal. If we do not better our record we will fall short of the fourth

division (Capital Needs for our institutions) by \$20,000. We would not give anything to our fifth division (advance for world missions (2-3) and endowment (1-3) at all.

We must call upon our people to tithe and for our churches to give a proportionate part of the income to world missions.

Is your church helping reach the increased goal? It is if your church is giving at least 25% more through the Cooperative Program than it did last year.

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We Command

On another page will be found an advertisement of the Affiliated National Hotels. We have patronized some of the hotels mentioned and commend them to our readers.

There are other good hotels but as these patronize us, we hope our readers will patronize them.

Our Readers Write

OUR CONCERN FOR GOD

I have just been reading in the Baptist Record enjoying some of its many good reading and decided to write an article on this subject.

I often think about how concerned and loving God is to do "so much" for you to be so unworthy of it. We are so guilty of wanting excuses not to do something for Him when he gave His only Son for us. Then if we wish to do something for our own good instead—how guilty do we feel.

Some people never think about God and His love. Will use Sunday sickness and lay in bed but if they wish to go fishing or hunting or leave on a trip they can leave any time and get pleasure out of it.

Some people are so unconcerned about God that any old way will do "just so it doesn't hurt me."

People are so concerned about material things, society and different clubs that there is no place for God.

If there is any thing to be left off we are prone to leave off church services and let God's work go undone.

I have always been a strong believer in thinking a person does what he wants if he wants to do it bad enough.

Sincerely,

W. C. HARRISON,
Macedonia Church, Rt. 5,
Meridian, Mississippi.

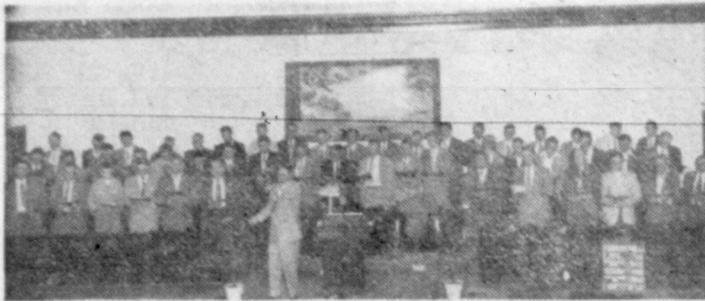
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BROTHERHOOD CHORUS

One of the projects of the Second Baptist Church of Greenville is a 60 voice male chorus that sings regularly on the First Sunday night of each month. Mr. Frank Grayson, past president of the Brotherhood lead out in formation of such a chorus. This is only one of the many ways that this Brotherhood undergirds the full program of the church. M. E. Perry, pastor.

ACTIVITIES

Utica Brotherhood in Hinds Association has an enrollment of 34 and held 4 meetings last month. They held their regular monthly visitation to inactive church members and lost. Reported by Sam Simmons.

Southside Brotherhood in Lowndes Association has an enrollment of 23 and held 2 meetings. Helped at the mission and made plans for a Layman's Revival. Reported by W. W. Nolen.

First Baptist Church at Indianola has an enrollment of 20 and held 1 meeting. They have a committee working on purchase of lot for possible location of mission in eastern part of the city. Contributed ten dollars to assist a ministerial student at Mississippi College. Appointed committee to assist the ushers at Sunday worship services and greet and welcome visitors especially. Reported by T. D. Pittman.

Ruleville Brotherhood in Sunflower Association has an enrollment of 41 and held 4 meetings. They painted the walls and woodwork of the Beginners, and the Young People's Departments, and the Secretaries' office. Reported by W. G. Gibson, secretary.

Freedom Brotherhood in Jones Association has an enrollment of 12 and held 1 meeting. They helped a neighbor build back his barn that was destroyed by fire. Reported by R. L. Busby.

"Thank You and Please"

Last year, a little earlier than this, I wrote an article asking you to send Easter boxes to our children. Your response overwhelmed us and we had lovely outfits for all the boys and girls.

Already, without this reminder, many individuals and organizations have requested the same child they sponsored last year, and are getting the clothes ready. Thank you!

Please, to the rest of you! We received many new children since last Easter, and they have not been assigned. Will you write us for a name, age, size, measurements and description immediately? The clothes need not be elaborate. For girls, a pretty, easy to keep dress, shoes, socks, underwear, hair ribbons or flowers for hair will be ideal.

For boys, dress pants, sport shirt, shoes, socks, underwear, belt, will be fine.

For each add extra a pair of pajamas please.

The pretty hats, while nice to have are seldom worn more than once, and suits are not necessary for the boys. Use your own judgment in selecting good, practical wearing apparel, and I am sure we will be pleased.

Mrs. W. G. Mize, Baptist Orphanage, P. O. Box 97, Jackson 5.

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In the March issue of the Baptist Training Union Magazine is an article entitled "Good Doctrine in Training" by Kermit S. King, state Training Union director.

"I thought I was an atheist," So says writer-producer Eugenia Price, of the famous broadcast "Unshackled." But she made a discovery—the discovery that Jesus Christ was her personal Saviour. Her book, DISCOVERIES MADE FROM LIVING MY NEW LIFE,

shows her "sheer joy in Christ and her infectious longing to share that joy with others." Secure this vital, refreshing book of devotional meditations from the Baptist Book Store or from Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, for \$1.50.

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Showing how the devotional writings of all ages have a contribution to the thought and life of Christians today THE VERY THOUGHT OF THEE, arranged and edited by Douglas V. Steere and J. Minton Batten, combines the devotional writings of Bernard of Clairvaux, Jeremy Taylor, and Evelyn Underhill. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153), Catholic monk, is probably best known for his hymn which begins "Jesus, the very thought of Thee." Jeremy Taylor (1613-1667) was called by Ralph Waldo Emerson "the Shakespeare of the divines." Evelyn Underhill (Mrs. Stuart Moore, 1875-1941) was a mystic and studied the lives of the mystics. Combining lives from three different centuries in one book is in itself a testimony to the power of the living Christ. Order this book from the Baptist Book Store or from "The Upper Room," 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville, Tenn. The price is 35¢ each or 3 for \$1.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

March 7, 1954

Hattiesburg, Main St.	982	386
Meridian, 41st Ave.	329	117
Laurel, First	609	163
Laurel, Second Ave.	464	117
Canton, Center Terrace	323	156
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	439	105
Clarksdale	390	65
Pearl (Rankin)	135	81
Tupelo, Harrisburg	601	252
Tupelo, East	305	143
Olive Branch	120	74
Union Branch (Alcorn)	100	92
West Point, Calvary	287	183
West Point, First	618	163
Columbus, Southside	134	98
Main Church	120	...
Mission	14	...
Yellow Leaf (Lafayette)	100	112
Hazlehurst	300	105
Ellison Ridge (Winston)	83	57
Skene	139	45
Aberdeen, First	415	119
Union Chapel (Chiskasaw)	87	74
Newton, First	513	258
Zion (Pontotoc)	147	87
Laurel, Highland	196	77
Laurel, Harmony	150	83
Jackson, Robinson St.	175	...
Jackson, Crestwood	649	441
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	614	264
Jackson, First	1403	497
Jackson, Broadmoor	414	153
Jackson, Van Winkle	472	260
Jackson, Ridgecrest	232	99
Jackson, South Side	408	183
Jackson, Calvary	1429	369
Calvary Mission	70	41
Jackson, Highland	141	97
White Rock Mission	20	...
Springfield (Scott)	131	82
Sardis (Copiah)	120	66
Flowood	103	78
Byram	198	119
Richland (Rankin)	126	62
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	161	85
Jackson (North Side)	493	106
Stonewall	182	120
McComb, East	460	209
Jackson, Parkway	1122	506
Meridian, Highland	502	151
Meridian, South Side	440	180
Bellefontaine (Jackson)	72	51
Gillsburg	202	155
Long Beach, First	245	89
Main Church	207	...
29th St. Mission	38	...
Greenville, Second	601	196
West Marks (Quitman)	78	74
Cleveland, First	621	156
Main School	568	...
Chinese Mission	34	...
Shady Oak Mission	19	...
Pascagoula, First	850	385
Main Church	677	293
Jackson Ave. Chapel	64	36
McArthur Chapel	75	36
Orange Grove Chapel	34	16
Picayune, First	607	187
Wayside (Yalobusha)	49	...
New Prospect (Lincoln)	170	93
Hickory Flat	170	86
Mt. Pleasant (Holmes)	65	49
Nola	71	62
Brownsville, Beulah	91	90
Friendship (Jackson)	69	75
Gulfport, First	1005	364
Gulfport, Calvary	63	37
McComb, Locust St.	90	47
McComb, North	73	33
Taylorville	166	86
Kosciusko	784	277
Vicksburg, First	620	206
Darling	116	81
Morton	308	141
Min Church	294	...
Mission	14	...
Hernando, First	187	92
Calhoun City, First	361	142
Springfield (Adams)	69	47
Concord (Choctaw)	104	103

Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., To Make Alaska Crusade



DR. J. S. RISER, JR.

The Webb Church has voted to send their pastor, Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., to take part in the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade in Alaska, April 17-May 1, 1955, and to pay his expenses on the trip. This was at the invitation of the Home Mission Board.

Chester (Choctaw)	66	29
Pelahatchie	185	73
Main School	167	...
Mission	18	...
Hattiesburg, Temple	544	188
New Albany, First	681	193
Mission	54	...
Petal-Harvey	356	161
Main School	338	...
Harvey	18	...
Spanish Fort	59	42
Longview (Oktibbeha)	92	78
Ruth	82	79
Bethlehem (Jones)	199	127
Friendship (Tallahatchie)	94	51
Picayune, Roseland Park	171	80
Fair River (Lincoln)	122	79
Ruleville	297	129
Main Church	253	79
Clinton	504	284
Calvary Mission	44	50
Friendship No. 2 (Tallahatchie)	92	48
Houka	137	67
Philadelphia, First	386	100
Tutwiler (Tallahatchie)	169	83
Crowder	188	118
Columbus, East End	230	95
Grenada, Emmanuel	279	96
Main Church	253	81
Futheyville Chapel	26	9
Grenada, First	587	157
Biloxi, Trinity	185	64
Belie (Pearl River)	142	93
Yazoo City, First	549	185
Brookhaven, Hamilton St.	131	84
Holly Bluff	99	72
Gulfport, New Hope	114	49
Brookhaven, First	818	301
Main Church	708	242
Southway	72	40
Halbert Heights	38	19
New Sight (Lincoln)	133	80
Lucedale	379	175
Harmony (Tippah)	102	59

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Friendship (Jackson)	85	65
McComb, East	419	187
Hazlehurst	324	107
Houka	114	61
Aberdeen, First	311	120
Charleston, First	283	152
Corinth, Tate St.	233	105
Wheeler Grove (Alcorn)	126	126
Oxford, North	158	118
Linn (Sunflower)	203	155
Taylorville	125	88

GOD IS STILL ABLE!

"Why, you'll never build a new church building like that," said a member of a church in a neighboring community to a member of Laurel Hill Church in Neshoba county who was discussing with him the plans already drawn up for a new church building.

"Ours is a small group," said the faithful Laurel Hill member, "but we are going to build on FAITH."

Well, that is just like saying "sic'em" to a faithful old hound dog. Since the New Year came in, the old building has been torn away and a new building is well underway on a new and more convenient lot nearby which was given to the church by a family in the community.

The pastor is Rev. C. C. Cornelius.

—BR—

Horn Lake Has New Pastor



REV. B. F. MCILWAIN

The new pastor at Horn Lake, Rev. B. F. McIlwain, found a well-filled pantry when he recently moved on the field.

Dr. McIlwain for the last three years has been pastor of the Middleton Church in Tennessee. In Tennessee he served as moderator of the Hardeman County Association and he

Southern Baptist Evangelism Leaders Present Five Objectives Of Program

By DR. C. E. WILBANKS
Director of Evangelism

The Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism has the full knowledge, cooperation and counsel of all departments of the Southern Baptist Convention enterprise, namely, Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, Sunday School Board, Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood Commission. Heads of these great units of operation met annually in Nashville, Tennessee, to give counsel and pledge cooperation.

The annual meeting was held in mid-December, 1953. Besides all state leaders in evangelism and the five members of the Southern Baptist Convention-wide department of evangelism of the Home Board, other leaders were present.

After three days and two nights of hard work, perfect accord and unity of vision, the leaders in evangelism returned to their separate several states to give their very lives to evangelism:

First—realizing anew that the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism is ours, and is best suited to the aims and accomplishments of Southern Baptists. Our program for doing our work for our Lord of the harvest, that is.

Second: To major on all phases of the program, namely: Mass evangelism, through more revivals at least two per year per church; personal evangelism by training church members and using them through the church council; to conserve the converts through the new members' class taught by the pastor.

Third: to strengthen evangelism in all the associations, by encouraging the election and the use of a chairman of evangelism in each. Hereafter there will be no associational organizer. Instead a chairman of church enlistment will be added to the hitherto eight member steering committee.

Fourth: To encourage and aid all associations to prepare in 1954

for the continent-girdling simultaneous revivals in 1955. Twice the Southern Baptist Convention has voted such an appropriate effort to bring revival to America, including Panama, Cuba and Alaska, March 6-April 24, 1955.

Fifth: To encourage annual simultaneous revivals in associations, to direct as many of these as possible, and to preach in as many revivals as they can spare time for in addition to promotional work.

Southern Baptists have now the best program of evangelism they have ever fostered. During the first six years of its operation the churches baptized 52 per cent more people than during the six years immediately preceding its inauguration. Your state director of evangelism stands at attention, ready to aid you in any and all phases of your work of evangelism.

—BR—

Kenneth Sanders Ordained



KENNETH SANDERS

Kenneth Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sanders of Silver Creek, was recently licensed to the Gospel ministry by the Calvary Church, Silver Creek. Kenneth is a member of the armed forces and upon his release sometime this year, plans to enter Mississippi College. Rev. C. L. Boland is pastor.

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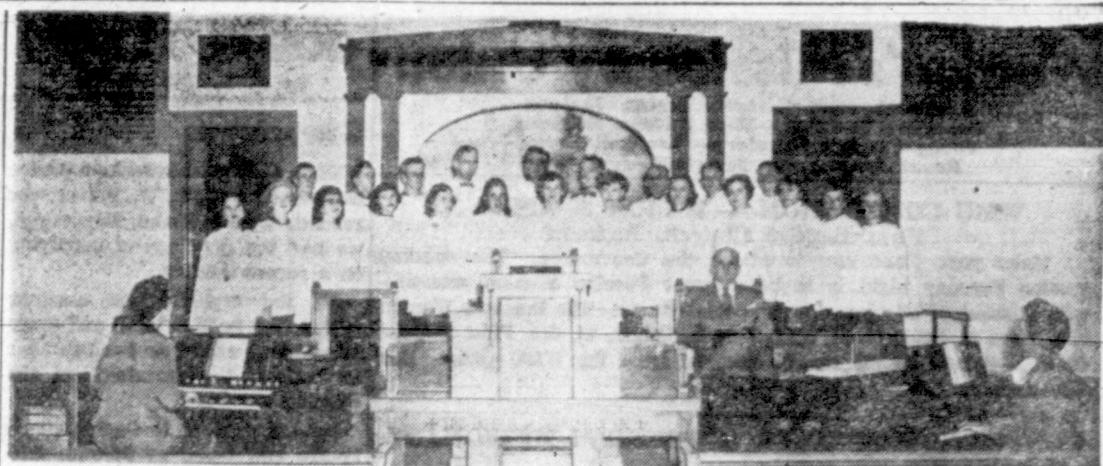
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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton

Called and Accepted

Robert L. Vox, First, Illinois, Mo.

from First, St. Francis, Arkansas

Russell Davis, Ewing, Mo. from

Dover Church near LaGrange, Mo.

Lawrence Ray, First, Rector,

Ark., from First, Percyville, Mo.

Dwayne Reed, First, New

FRANKLIN, Mo.

Kenneth Grant, First, Ajma,

Ark., from Semmes, Ala.

Homer A. Bradley, Eudora,

Ark., from Matthew Memorial,

Pine Bluff, Ark.

Howard Barton, Doyle, La. from

Missionary, Ashley County, Arkansas.

F. E. Woodrey, First, Duncan,

Arizona from San Simon, Arizona

Russell T. Cherry, Jr., Brainerd St., Richmond, Va. from

Southern Seminary

F. W. Taylor, Emmanuel, Roswell, New Mexico from Mayhill, New Mexico.

Roy Sutton, South Denver, Colorado, from Sec. Brotherhood and Foundation Work of New Mexico

C. H. Robinson, Jacksboro, Tenn., from Loyal, Ky.

Don Reynolds, Winchester, Memphis, Tenn. from Atwood, Tenn.

C. E. Tutor, Maplewood, Paris, Tenn., from Pinson

Troy E. Jones, Four Oaks, N. C. from Carrboro, N. C.

T. N. Cooper, Bethel, Roanoke

Association, N. C. from Rich

Square, N. C.

CHOIR—FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MEADVILLE

The choir pictured above will be of special interest to many since, according to the pastor, Rev. B. T. Bishop, this choir came into being as a direct result of an Associational Central School of Music held in Bude recently. The school was under the leadership of the Associational Music Director, Franklin Haire, and classes were conducted by the state Secretary of Music, W. C. Morgan.

Organist, Mrs. Victor Middleton; Pianist, Mrs. O. V. Lee; Choir Director, J. L. Coleman.

DISTRICT MUSIC FESTIVAL MATERIALS READY

Many inquiries are coming to the Music Office regarding rule sheets, schedules, and other materials about our District Music Festivals. Write the Music Office a post card requesting the materials and they will be mailed immediately.

At the recent Associational Music Directors' Planning Meeting, a goal of 4000 participants was set for the District Festivals this spring. In order to reach this goal, a minimum of 300 choral groups, 30 instrumental groups, and 300 hymn players are required to enter. Start your preparation now!

Earle Rogers, First, Washington, Va. from Wendell

J. Lindsey, Nimmons, Jr. Lyons

Texas.

George F. Serson, Mt. Pleasant, Holdcroft, Va., from Oak Valley Church, Bebe, Texas.

Leslie M. Rihard, West Batesville, Ark. from Lepanto, Ark.

C. R. Trammell, First, McRae, Ark. from Steel Bridge, Ark.

D. E. Parsons, Sweetwater, Tenn. from Missionary Red River, Assoc., Ark.

Maurice R. Barnes, Killarney Church, Winter Park, Fla. from Southside, Louisville, Ky.

T. W. Terrel, Pelican Drive, Pineville, La. from Cash Bayou, La.

Victor H. Coffman, Jr., First, Strand, Okla. from Gentry, Ark.

W. R. Grigg, Director of Negro Work For Louisiana from Jefferson Ave., East Point, Ga.

George T. Trinstall, Green St. High Point, N. C. from Evangelistic work

W. C. Barham, Southside, Rocky Mount, N. C. from Stony Hill, N. C.

J. M. Flowers, First Havelock S. C. from High Point, Lancaster, S. C.

H. S. Mumford, Supt., Missions Yates Association, N. C. from Marshville, N. C.

Guy C. Moore, Earlington, N. C. from Southside, Wilmington, N. C.

Vilas N. Minton, Newland, N. C. from Fletcher, N. C.

Gerald C. Prim, Calvary, Raleigh, N. C. from Mt. Gilead and Emma, Pittsboro, N. C.

Emory Musselwhite, Jr. Calvary, Taylor, Pa. from Monroe, N. C.

L. H. Roseman, Rapid City, South Dakota from West Batesville, Ark.

William W. Leathers, First, Henderson, N. C. from First, Petersburg, Va.

Southeastern Seminary Observes Founder's Day

A prominent native Tar Heel pastor returned from a long and successful ministry in a great church in Tennessee to deliver the Founder's Day address at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest on Wednesday, February 18.

Dr. Fred Brown, pastor emeritus of the First Baptist Church, Knoxville, declared, "The hope of the world is not in a man from London or Moscow, not even in a man from Washington. The hope of the world is in a man from Galilee, the God-man, Jesus Christ." He called for a revival of the Christian faith that will bring a realization of sin, one that will cause men to turn to Christ.

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WMU CONVENTION — MARCH 30-APRIL 1

First Baptist Church, Jackson

Make your plans now to attend the Convention. The opening session Tuesday night is to be a great Foreign Mission session with Mississippi Missionaries as special guests. The Business Women will have a banquet at 6:15 Tuesday night at the First Baptist Church—tickets (\$1.25) can be secured from the WMU Office, Box 530, Jackson.

CONVENTION SPEAKER MISSISSIPPI MISSIONARY



MISS IRENE CHAMBERS

Miss Irene Chambers, field representative for the Home Mission Board will be a featured speaker on Wednesday night. Miss Chambers has visited practically every field of work of the Home Mission Board, including Panama, Canal Zone, Cuba and Alaska.



MISS EDYTHE MONTROY

Miss Edythe Montroy, missionary to Nigeria, Africa is home for her year of furlough. Miss Montroy of Drew, Miss., has served as a teacher in the Baptist College at Iwo. She was appointed for this service in 1946.

ENLISTMENT

A timid woman was successful in enlisting members in her missionary society, so that it grew from a small number to over three hundred. When asked her secret, she said:

"I Studied For Facts
I Prayed For Tact
I Distributed Tracts
I Never Scolded
I Looked For The Love of Jesus."

And we might do well to heed the fisherman's technique. Isaac Walton said:

"Be sure your face is toward the light,
Then, keep yourself well out of sight;
Study the fishes' curious ways,
Then practice patience all your days!"

By using these tried and true techniques we, too, can win!

MISSIONARY READING

April Showers of Magazines! Have a mission magazine for every member of the family:

ROYAL SERVICE—adult women

WINDOW OF YWA—young women

TELL—teenage girls

AMBASSADOR LIFE—teenage boys

SUNBEAM ACTIVITIES—children

Correction: Union Baptist Church, Pearl River Association should have been listed as giving \$101.56 to Foreign Missions through the Lottie Moon Offering.

Ridgeland Baptist Church, Madison Association was credited with \$25 and it should have been \$73.

ECRU TO HAVE EXTENSION CENTER

Plans have been made for a Seminary Extension Center to be held in the Ecrus church.

The school will meet Tuesday nights March 30-May 25.

Rev. James Monroe, pastor of First Church, Pontotoc, will be the teacher. Rev. C. B. Sims and Rev. J. S. Grubbs were named as directors, and the county missionary, Rev. Foy Rogers, was selected as registrar and secretary.

The course to be taught will deal with preaching. It is open to both laymen and ministers.



GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Georgetown

While Georgetown seeks a pastor to succeed Rev. R. W. Porter who recently went to Rome, Mississippi, we had the privilege of supplying on a recent Sunday.

All the organizations continue to function in high gear and there was a good crowd on hand to hear us both at the morning and the evening services.

Record readers in Copiah County are now listed as follows: ANTIOCH, 29; BETHEL, 59; Carpenter, 17; COUNTY LINE, 76; CRYSTAL SPRINGS, 419; DAMASCUS, 50; Galilee, 18; GALLMAN, 64; Gatesville, 1; GEORGETOWN, 72; Harmony, 15; HAZLEHURST, 188; HOPEWELL, 44; New Providence, 12; New Zion, 2; PEARL VALLEY, 32; PILGRIM'S REST, 48; PINE BLUFF, 72; POPLAR SPRINGS, 30; Rockport, 11; Rocky Hill, 1; SARDIS, 42; SHADY GROVE, 64; SMYRNA, 32; SPRING HILL, 58; STRONG HOPE, 61; SYLVARENA, 42; WESSON, 127.

Philadelphia

While the First Church, Philadelphia, seeks a pastor to succeed Dr. N. Q. Geer, we had the privilege of supplying for them on a recent Sunday. It was almost like going back home as we have often supplied this pulpit.

A full house was on hand for the morning service and a good crowd present for the evening service.

Record readers in Neshoba County are now listed as follows:

ANTIOCH, 37; Bond, 11; COLDWATER, 56; Deemer, 17; DIXON, 24; Emmanuel, 16; HIGH HILL, 43; Hope, 3; LAUREL HILL, 20; LINWOOD, 47; McDonald, 1; NE-SHOBA, 34; NEW BLACK JACK, 23; NEW HARMONY, 24; PHILADELPHIA, FIRST, 319; PHILADELPHIA, EAST, 59; SARDIS, 26; SPRINGS CREEK, 76; New Bethel, 19.

Another M. C. Student Comes Through

The latest addition to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record is Richburg Church in Lamar County. The pastor is Rev. Ray Grissett, a student at Mississippi College.

Evidently the people are anxious to get the Record, for Miss Mildred E. Collier, in sending the EVERY FAMILY list wrote, "We will appreciate Record coming as soon as possible."

Record readers in Lamar County are now listed as follows:

BAXTERVILLE, 62; CALVARY, 30; CORINTH, 32; GREENVILLE, 22; HICKORY GROVE, 46; LUMBERTON, 158; MILITARY, 27; New Hope, 1; ORAL, 43; PURVIS, 163; RICHBURG, 28; SUMRALL, 81; OLAH, 49; BELLEVUE, 33.

Horton Succeeds

Rev. E. C. Horton, Pastor of Pilgrim's Rest Church in Attala County, has had experience with the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record in years gone by at other churches. Therefore, he

MELROSE OBSERVES HOMECOMING DAY

Melrose Church in Yazoo County observed Homecoming Day on Sunday, February 28. The pastor is J. M. Gipson. Three former pastors had a part on the program for the day: Rev. Will Dixon, Rev. Blackwell, and Rev. Robert Martin. A note-burning ceremony was a climax to the day's events.

In the last two and one-half years Melrose Church has shown considerable progress. They have gone full-time. A new roof, new siding, new pews, and three new Sunday School rooms have been added. Training Union and Sunday School attendance have increased three-fold. There have been 67 additions to the church. The church is now giving 10 per cent of their contributions to the Cooperative Program.

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Eudora Welcomes Pastor

"The Eudora Church, DeSoto county welcomed their new pastor and family, Rev. Ervin Brown, with a bountiful pantry shower last week.

The pastorum, a nice three bedroom house, was completely renovated and made ready for the new pastor.

The church has recently completed a new educational annex, a cost of \$14,000. The annex gives the church seven additional Sunday School rooms, and a nice kitchen. A nursery has also been provided as well as a room for the church office and pastor's study. Plans are to renovate the church auditorium this year. The church gives 15 per cent of its receipts through the Cooperative Program.

Mr. Brown is a graduate of the Southern Seminary. He has served the Murphy Creek Baptist Church, Winston Co., and the Walnut Church, Vance. He has also been active in the associational program having served as associational Sunday School supt., and association clerk. While at Louisville he taught in the Clarke College Extension School.

lost no time in trying to lead Pilgrim's Rest Church to adopt this popular and progressive plan. He succeeded.

Record readers in Attala County are now listed as follows:

BEAR CREEK, 40; BEREA, 36; CARSON RIDGE, 41; COUNTY LINE, 43; Edgefield, 1; ETHEL, 81; HURRICANE, 22; JERUSALEM, 25; Kosciusko, FIRST, 449; Kosciusko, Second, 13; McAdams, 3; McCOOL, 24; New Salem, 16; New Hope, 1; NORTH UNION, 26; PILGRIM'S REST, 26; Pleasant Ridge, 7; Sallis, 4; Sand Hill, 1; Springdale, 1; UNITY, 39; WILLIAMSVILLE, 53; YOCKANOO-KANY, 55.

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

He writes this column each week for the Baptist Record.

Woman's College Girl

Question: I am a college freshman and will be twenty years old in June. In all my years of adolescent growth no boy ever asked me for a date and I never had a boy friend. I am a Christian and want very much to marry and have a Christian home someday.

Under the circumstances do you think that I did wrong in choosing a woman's college instead of a co-educational institution? Do you think I should change schools?

Answer: Not necessarily. Many woman's colleges provide ample opportunities to meet boys. And the environment of some woman's colleges are often very good for girls, even better than co-educational for some girls.

But your case worries me. There are girls who should not marry and who find God's will and a good social adjustment in "single bliss."

Look, if you really want to get married you must learn how to date. Romantic love is good if it is often wonderful. But you can not learn how to relate yourself well to men out of a book. Social skill comes from social experience.

The most wholesome thing about your letter is your wanting to marry and have a home. That is good and right.

If I were you, I would get around boys at least, even if I had to change schools. We men are not so bad once you learn to overlook our faults. Take a real interest in us, flatter us a little, and mother us slightly, and we will fall all over ourselves.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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MISCELLANEA

Please pray for our Baptist Focus Days at Miss. Southern, Jones Jr., Delta State, Ole Miss. and Miss. State, Mar. 22-26.

State Council meets next on April 3 in Jackson.

Delta State is the site for our State Retreat For BSU Officers April 23-25. We appreciate their invitation.

Someone has asked whether we should give High School Seniors a special invitation to the Retreat. What do you think? If enough come, we could have a special conference for them.

Pastors, please send us date and number of workers you want for your Youth-led Revival.

Thirty of '54 Baptists at Holmes Jr. are members of a local church. Jean Faulkner Bond, BSU Director there is back on the job after

a severe illness, we're thankful to report. Holmes students are helping local Pastor John McDonald and local members in a recently started Mission.

The Senatobia Baptist, organ of Senatobia's First Baptist Church, Clyde Martin, Pastor, is very attractive, readable, newsy, deserves commendation. Northwest Jr. students are no doubt enjoying it.

Fifteen Perkinston Jr. students recently studied the T. U. Study Course on the Psalms.

Sunflower Jr. recently reported lacking only 4 points for First Magnitude, the starting of a bimonthly BSU paper, the volunteering of nine students for Summer Service outside the local church.

Sixty-three of 86 Baptists at Woman's College are members of a local church; three recently having joined.

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Rev. C. C. Weaver writes that he has resigned the pastorate at Dekalb and has accepted the Bond Church in Neshoba County. He has already moved into the pastorum and he is happy in the new field. He served as pastor at Dekalb for seven years and during a part of that time was a member of the Convention Board.

Faithful Attendants



Royce Henry and Hazeland Andrews of the Houlka Church and children of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Andrews, are faithful Sunday School attendants. He has a perfect record for four years and she for three years.

—BR—

More than 15,000 Brazilians attended a special program presented by the Baptist state convention of Sao Paulo, Brazil, in January as part of the 400th anniversary celebration of Sao Paulo City. Baptists were granted permission to use the main auditorium of the Stadium, which seats 15,000. It was full, with many standing, according to a report received by Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's secretary for Latin America.

MRS. AGNES TURNER
God in His all wise knowledge and dealings with man saw fit to call from this life to that beautiful life beyond our beloved Mother, Member and Loved-one Sister Agnes Turner;

And, Whereas, The Pleasant Hill Community and the Church has lost one of its outstanding citizens, leaders and members and Mothers;

And, Whereas, she is going to be greatly missed with her natural smiles and cheers, her advice and leadership in the church, in the home, and in the community;

And, Whereas, The Old Home Folks, the children, the Community, The Pleasant Hill Church will ever remember the companionship, the Love, and visits of our mother and member;

Be It Therefore Resolved, that The Pleasant Hill Church resign their will to the Will of God and yieldingly submit to what our Lord has done for Our Mother and Member;

Be it further Resolved that we tender our heart-felt sympathy to the entire family, especially to our beloved Pastor, all the relatives in the home-going of their mother and our Sister in Christ;

Be it further resolved that we offer our prayers, our sympathies, our assistance to those who are left behind to mourn the departure of our mother and member of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church;

Be it further resolved that we

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

March 95—Ralph Hester, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage; Mrs. H. L. Andrews, Chickasaw Association Training Union Director.

March 16—Rev. Jack Southerland, Lauderdale Associational Chairman of Evangelism; W. P. McMullan, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

March 17—Connie Walker, Co-Lin BSU president; Rev. A. E. Mason, Trustee, Clarke College.

March 18—G. F. Dobbs, Jr., Clarke Associational Brotherhood president; Mrs. V. W. Malley, Simpson Associational W. M. U. superintendent.

March 19—State R. A. Congress, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg; Zadeen Walton, Baptist Building.

March 20—Jane Ray Bean, Blue Mountain Student Secretary; Prof. W. B. Hall, Mississippi College faculty.

March 21—Rev. Jesse L. Morgan, Bolivar Associational Sunday School superintendent; Rev. Lee Gallman, Seminary Extension Department.

the membership of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church order that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the children, a copy sent to the Baptist Record and a copy be placed in the records of the Pleasant Hill Church.

This done in conference this the 14 day of February 1954.

Elgin Turner, Moderator
Irvin Byrd, Church Clerk
Paid

MEET BLUE MOUNTAIN

Question: How has your Blue Mountain College solved on its campus the serious and nation-wide problem of HONESTY ON EXAMINATIONS?

Answer: By the Blue Mountain System of STUDENT GOVERNMENT and STUDENT HONOR.

Question: How effective is the honor system in preventing cheating on examinations?

Answer: It is completely effective.

Question: What evidence proves the effectiveness of the honor system?

Answer: The testimony of Blue Mountain students. Ask them.

Question: Why are honest examinations of such great importance, especially in a Christian college?

Answer: 1. High standards of honesty ENCOURAGE SOUND and THOROUGH STUDY.

2. High standard of honesty DISCOURAGE the "get-by" attitude with its emphasis on the slovenly, the "phony" and the evasive.

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Mr. G. G. Pierce

I recommend the reading of "Living in the Faith" by Howard P. Colson. If you were asked the question: "What do you know about God," you would be better qualified to answer it after having read this book. The author has achieved his purpose: that is, "to give" the Adult members of our Baptist churches a better grasp of the great doctrines of our faith and to bring their daily lives more completely into accord with these significant truths.

Undoubtedly there is a widespread need for such a book as this because it is a practical consideration of the doctrinal aspects of our faith, our basic beliefs, principles and teachings. The book emphasizes the title.

The contents are firmly set in solid scriptural foundation. It is a clear doctrinal statement of our faith. The author urges that the great truths of the Christian faith be embodied in our own lives and put into use in everyday living.

Throughout this book the author seeks to emphasize the fact that Christianity is simply not something we accept intellectually, but something which has a powerful effect upon our moral living, something which sends us out into life to be different in character and conduct from those who have not experienced the grace of God in salvation.—G. G. Pierce.

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Duncan Church To Have Stewardship Revival



DR. E. N. PATTERSON

Duncan Church, Rev. W. R. Swenson, pastor, will conclude a week of stewardship emphasis with a stewardship revival Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday evening, March 12-14. Dr. E. N. Patterson of the New Orleans Seminary faculty, will be the preacher.

Duncan Church has recently gone from half time to full time services.

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CANADIAN CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

Like to visit your Baptist neighbors in Canada? The welcome mat is out, and here is a list of the camp dates at one of the best Baptist camps in Canada:

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August 4-14—B. Y. P. U. and Church Workers' Camp (18 up).
August 24-September 4—Senior High Camp (15-17).

September 4-6—Toronto B. Y. P. U. Retreat.

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Ordained To Ministry



John Compere

John Compere was ordained to the Gospel Ministry in a special service at the Parkview Church, Greenville, on Monday night, February 22. He recently began his work as Pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, near Vardaman, Miss., and is serving them half-time.

In the ordination service, the charge to the candidate was given by Dr. E. D. Elliott, and the charge to the church by Rev. J. W. T. Siler.

The young minister's father, Rev. W. L. Compere, brought the message, and the ordination prayer was led by Deacon Leon Maxwell, of Northside Church, Jackson. The Council was composed of Rev. W. L. Compere, Dr. E. D. Elliott, Rev. Willard Fuller, Rev. J. W. T. Siler; and Deacons Paul Watson, R. N. Catledge, W. B. Buxbaum, J. L. Parker, and John McCain.

A sophomore at Mississippi College, John Compere has had considerable experience in Christian service that has helped to prepare him for his work as a minister. He served one summer on the staff at Ridgecrest, and another summer did mission work in Alaska, working with Rev. John DeFoore, Pastor of the Calvary Church, Anchorage. He has worked in a number of revivals and preached in some youth revivals.

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GEORGIA SECRETARY TO RETIRE IN DECEMBER

ATLANTA, Ga. (BP)—James W. Merritt, executive secretary of the Georgia Baptist Convention since 1930, is to retire in December.

Notice of the retirement was given to the Executive Committee of the Georgia Convention at its recent meeting.

The almost quarter-century of service as executive secretary which Dr. Merritt will have on his retirement in December gives him the longest record for service of any state secretary in the Southern Baptist Convention.

His denominational service is ten years longer than this. He came to the Georgia Convention as a member of the Sunday School Department staff and then joined The Christian Index, as business manager. He was serving in this capacity when elected to his present position.

The Executive Committee voted to elect his successor at its regular meeting in September.

—BR—

EASTLAND, Tex. (BP)—F. A. R. Morgan, retired Southern Baptist missionary to Brazil, died March 1, at his home here. He was the father of Mrs. G. Kearne Keegan, Nashville, Tenn.

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What Christian

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destiny of our children.

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—BR—

WICHITA, Kans. (BP)—Ernest G. Pavey, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Belle Paine, Kans. was elected Royal Ambassador secretary of the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptist.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.
50 YEARS AGO—

The Clinton Church has raised their pastor's salary (P. I. Lipsey) \$400 for the current year, thus relieving the Convention Board of any further responsibility.

40 Years Ago—

The Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church at Blue Mountain closed a great meeting with 193 professions of faith. Pastor W. T. Lowrey was assisted by Rev. James P. Leavell of Oxford as preacher and Singer Walter Scholfield.

25 Years Ago—

Brother J. E. Wills accepts the call to the pastorate of the Newton Church.

The Baptists of Senatobia recently entered their new church building under the leadership of Pastor J. C. Wells. This is the third house of worship the church has built, being organized in 1869 with Rev. J. W. Lipsey as first pastor. Former Pastor A. T. Cinnamon of Kosciusko was asked to deliver the first sermon in the new building.

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20 DISTRICT CONFERENCES
ATTEND THE NEAREST ONE

This year our 20 district Sunday School conferences begin on Monday, March 22, and close on Friday, April 16—four consecutive weeks.

These are for the pastors, superintendents, other officers, teachers, associational missionaries, associational officers, and any others who wish to attend.

NOTE CHANGE OF TIME

Please note that the time each day this year is from 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 9:00 o'clock at night, with lunch from six to seven.

The afternoon part will be devoted to Vacation Bible School and the evening part to Sunday School.

The time change will enable more people to attend than could do when we had it in the morning and afternoon, as we have done in former years.

THE PURPOSE

The purpose of these conferences is to think and plan together with our Sunday school leaders over the state about making this year the best we have ever had in our Sunday school and Vacation Bible school work.

Sunday school leaders, join us in these, and share with us your good help in this great program of Bible teaching.

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THE SCHEDULE

Time	Place
Monday, March 22	Brandon
Tuesday, March 23	Vicksburg, First
Wednesday, March 24	Gloster
Thursday, March 25	Macedonia (Lincoln County)
Friday, March 26	Columbia, First
Monday, March 29	Ackerman
Tuesday, March 30	Quitman
Wednesday, March 31	Laurel, First
Thursday, April 1	Lucedale
Friday, April 2	Gulfport, First
Monday, April 5	Bruce
Tuesday, April 6	Holly Springs
Wednesday, April 7	Iuka
Thursday, April 8	Pontotoc, First
Friday, April 9	West Point, First
Monday, April 12	Greenwood, Calvary
Tuesday, April 13	Greenville, First
Wednesday, April 14	Drew
Thursday, April 15	Clarksdale, Riverside
Friday, April 16	Senatobia

AWARDS RECORDS FOR JANUARY, 1954

No. awards for January	3,402
No. awards to date	12,507
No. churches to date	317
No. associations to date	87

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DE LAND, Fla. (BP) —Stetson

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ACRES OF DIAMONDS HAS PARALLEL IN STATE



Seven of the ten staff members of First Baptist Church, Jackson, were recruited from Church's own membership. Pictured here, they are, seated: Mrs. J. V. Buckels; standing, left to right: E. L. Herring, Miss Gladys Clement, Miss Sue Horton, Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Miss Hazel Chisholm, Pat Clendinning.

The principle of Russell H. Conwell's famous "Acres of Diamonds" address has been discovered by one of our Mississippi Churches. First Church, Jackson, has discovered seven members of its present staff of ten within its own membership.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of the congregation for the past eight years, feels that this is a most unusual and significant tribute to the depth and spirituality of the church and its program. Serving with him at the present time are the Church Administrator, Educational Director, Educational Secretary, Director of Missionary Education, Organist, Hostess, and Financial Secretary.

In order of their length of service, the first is Mrs. J. V. Buckels, hostess, who has been serving the congregation since 1924. At first she acted in an unpaid capacity, but in recent years has been a full-time member of the staff, supervising and serving thousands of meals a year in the church's promotional and fellowship program.

Next is Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Director of Missionary Education, who became a paid member of the Church Staff in October, 1933. For a number of years she and her family had been active members of the congregation. Charged with leadership responsibility in the field of the Woman's Missionary Union organizations, she has witnessed tremendous growth—the enlistment now being among the highest of any of the churches in the Southern Convention.

Miss Hazel Chisholm, organist, has been with the church for more than ten years. At the time of her selection, Miss Chisholm was teacher of piano and organ at one of the local colleges. "Miss Hazel", as she is affectionately called, is known by hundreds of Mississippi Baptists who have attended conventions and conferences in the church.

Shortly after the present pastor was called to succeed Dr. W. A. Hewitt, who still serves as Pastor Emeritus, E. L. Herring, for many years a deacon in the church, was elected to the Staff as Financial Secretary and Business Manager. Two years ago, as his duties multiplied, he was named Church Administrator. All financial records, counsellor for his college fra-

Montrose Church To Have Youth Revival

The Montrose Church will have its youth revival March 12-14.

Rev. Carless Evans, pastor of Arkadelphia church will do the preaching. Wade Paris will direct the singing and Howard Walker will be the pianist.

Youths of the church will be serving as Sunday School superintendent, Training Union director, and teaching Sunday School classes.

Services will begin at 7:30 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Sunday morning service will begin at 11 o'clock.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mulloy, and Mr. Joe Harding, of the Oakland Heights Baptist Church, Meridian, have dedicated their lives to full time Christian service. They will enter the Seminary in the near future for further study and preparation. Mr. Jerry Odom, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Odom, has dedicated his life for Foreign Mission Service. He is now doing a fine work at Oakland Heights working with the R. A. boys.

ternity. Surrendering to the call for definite religious service, he entered the School of Religious Education of the Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, from which he received his degree last June. Three months before graduation, after having served the previous summer as youth director for his home church, Clendinning was elected to his present post.

Seven of the church's ten staff members recruited from its own congregation! Where can this record be equalled?

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Sunday School Lesson

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For March 14.

JESUS FACES THE CROSS

Scripture Texts: I Corinthian 1:18-31; John 11:55-12:50.

I. THE GREEKS AND THEIR PHILOSOPHY

1. They may have been the descendants of the Greeks whom Alexander the Great settled along the path of his conquests, in such districts as Decapolis (The Ten Cities, as the word means). If so they may have kept the Greek characteristics of curiosity and a desire for discussion such as distinguished the Athenians to whom Paul spoke on Mars Hill at a later date (Acts 17:21.) Or they may have been Greek-speaking Jews, i.e. Jews reared and educated in some district where Greek language and learning prevailed.

2. Their philosophy. Whether they were Greeks by blood or by breeding makes no difference as to the character of their culture, they had been schooled in Greek philosophy. Now all Greek philosophy as prescribing a way of life was selfish, utterly self-centered.

II. THE PHILOSOPHY OF CHRIST

It was squarely in the face of Greek philosophy. Indirect contradiction to every man-made scheme of life the Christian way is the way of self-denial, of devotion to a Lord who demands of those who would be His followers, "If any one would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. . . Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and is, it remains alone but if it dies, it bears much fruit. He who loves his life loses it, and he who has his life in this world will keep it for eternal life."

His followers learned this lesson of abnegation. Listen while great Brother Paul says in Philippians 2:5-11, "Have this mind in you which was also in Christ Jesus: who, existing in the form of God, counted not the being on an equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, becoming obedient unto death, yea, the death of the cross. Wherefore also God highly exalted Him, and gave unto Him the name which is above every name; that in the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things on earth and things under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Our Lord knew Greek philosophy and the selfish character of it, so when His two followers, Philip and Andrew came to tell Him that Greeks were seeking an interview with Him. He perceived in their coming the search of the selfish, sin-shackled world for the light of life in which to walk and work and grow into the knowledge of the truth, the knowledge of which shall set men free. In order to know the truth, however, it is nec-

essary that freedom of choice shall be exercised upon the part of every man who would enjoy fellowship with the Eternal both now and forever.

III. THE CHOICE: ITS ALTERNATIVES AND RESULTS

1. It has to be made. There is no alternative to the necessity of making a choice. In every walk of life and in every day along the paths of them, the necessity to make choices hedges the pathway. As no one can avoid the necessity of making a choice in every crisis, so also with the necessity of making a choice for or against Jesus. In this matter as everywhere else, not to choose is to make a choice. Not to choose to eat is to choose not to eat. Not to choose to go to church is to choose not to go to church. Not to choose Jesus is to choose to have no part with Jesus. He Himself said, "He that gathereth not with Me scattereth." Not to take sides with Jesus is to take sides with the enemies of Jesus. Each man, at the least each man who has heard the word of life and has had Jesus presented to him as the Lord of life, just must do something with Jesus; He is on the hands and heart of every such man and no man can avoid the responsibility of the greatest choice man is ever called upon to make in this world anywhere.

2. The cost to the chooser of making the right choice. "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it abides by itself alone." He that hates his life." But life tastes sweet to me. Must I hate it and the pleasures of it? And must the grain of wheat die? But there is so much in life that is pleasant. Must I deny myself all the joys of this world and turn my back upon all the glory of it?

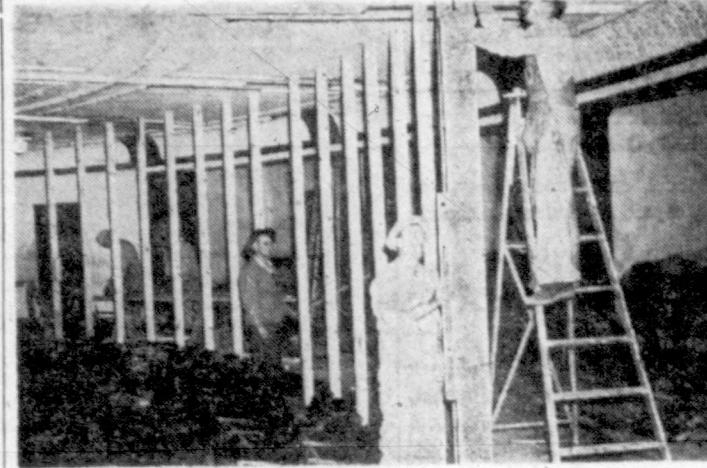
The owner of the finest jewels paid a great price for them. The great singers toiled unceasingly that they might attain to excellence. The inventions of Edison were produced at a cost to him of ease and pleasure so great that he was virtually a slave to the task of relieving the hardships of other men. So also, there is no excellence anywhere without great labor, no worthy attainment that does not come at a great price.

So the bliss of eternal life is entered into by those who climb the steep ascent to heaven through peril, toil, and pain. So he who chooses Christ Jesus will pay for that choice.

3. The eternal results of the choice. "He who hates his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. The life he hates is a life on the lower level. The life he hates is a life lived in the indulgence of the lower desires, in gratification of the lower appetites. It is such a life as glitters to the worldly eye, perhaps or spends itself in the fashion of a pig that lives only to eat acorns.

Turn now to the picture on the reverse side of the shield. Consider now the life that is surrendered up to the mastery of Jesus, the life that yields itself to Him. Who gave His all that others might have life in Him, whose utter self-abnegation was so great that He was willing to stop dying long enough to save a penitent sinner.

Adult Sunday School Program Doubled At First Church, Louisville



Workmen moved swiftly at the First Baptist Church, Louisville, to make additional space for the enlarged program recently adopted. In the above picture, workmen are shown remodelling the former sanctuary to become the Adult Building. This was made possible following the completion of the new sanctuary which was completed late in December at a cost of approximately \$325,000.

According to information from the pastor, the Rev. James H. Fairchild, four new departments have been added in the Sunday school. The greatest change was made with the Adults. Formerly there were two adult departments, with 11 classes, and under the new program, there are four adult departments with 22 adult classes. The classes are closely graded according to ages. Within one week after the adults had approved the enlarged program, able teachers had been secured for each class.

In addition to the First Baptist Church in Louisville, there are three other Baptist churches with a full-time program, two of which continue to receive financial assistance each month from the First Baptist Church.

Linn Church Has Good Day Feb. 28

The Linn Church, Sunflower Association, had a good service on Sunday, Feb. 28. The Sunday School had an attendance of 203 and was departmentalized for the first time.

Sunday night's service was the last of a week's series of revival services. Rev. Dan Morton, pastor of Calvary Church, Greenwood, preached. There were 25 new members.

The new educational rooms were also dedicated. Rev. Harold Savall is the pastor.

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ZONDERVAN ANNOUNCES SHORT STORY CONTEST

GRAND RAPIDS, Michigan. The Zondervan Publishing House has announced a new short story contest. Following are the rules governing the contest:

1. All stories submitted should be slanted toward the 12 and 13 year age group.

2. The stories should either appeal to girl or boy readers.

3. All stories should have the evangelical and fundamental Gospel approach and appeal, without being "preachy."

4. The stories should have a minimum word length of 500 words and a maximum of 1,000.

5. The closing date for the contest is October 31, 1954.

6. Payment will be at the rate of 2 cents per word, payable on publication.

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CASSEL PELLAM STEGALL

Cassel Pellam Stegall, 53, died February 3, 1954.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Lee Stegall, and three children: Mrs. James Riser, Gulfport; Mrs. Bubba Allan, Hattiesburg, and Roby Lee Stegall, Forest; three sisters, Mrs. Will Goodman, Pelahatchie; Mrs. Roy Moore, Pelahatchie; Mrs. Eleanor Gray, Jackson; five brothers, Rev. C. O. Stegall, Bude; Byrl Stegall, Pelahatchie; Troy Stegall, Jackson; Gaines Stegall, Jackson, and Lloyd Stegall, Baton Rouge, La.

He was living in Forest at the time of his death, where he had lived for several years. He owned and operated the Auto-lex store and automobile shop.

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Older Baptist perhaps will remember Mrs. J. H. Gambrell who recently died in Dallas, Texas at the age of 90. She was the widow of a former Baptist leader who was born in Richland, Mississippi. She was a graduate of Whitworth College and was married to Joe H. Gambrell, a Baptist minister, in 1883 and moved to Texas in 1898.

Rev. James L. Brown, pastor at Potts Camp Church, has accepted the Highland Church and the Oldham Church of Tishomingo County. He took up his new duties on March 1. At the mid-week service, the churches honored the new pastor, his wife, and two daughters, with a pounding of groceries.

J. G. Buckley has assumed his duties as educational and youth director of the First Church, Winnfield, La., where Dr. W. L. Holcomb is the pastor. Mr. Buckley was a member of the Prentiss Church while Dr. Holcomb served that church as pastor. He is a B. A. graduate of Mississippi College and a R. E. graduate of the New Orleans Seminary, having graduated there March 5, 1954.

Rev. H. P. McDonald has resigned the pastorate of the Bethsaida Church, Montgomery County, in order to give full time to the Corinth Church in Jasper County. Formerly he served each church half time but found that the distance between the churches was too much to enable him to do effective work at both churches.

In the April-May-June issue of the Brotherhood Journal is an interesting article entitled, "Strengthening Church Work Through the Brotherhood." The author is Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor of First Church, Columbus.

Calvary Mission at Corinth has been transferred to West Corinth Church, Rev. Earl Warford, pastor and Rev. Harold Bennet called as pastor with a full-time program. Rev. N. G. Hickman is superintendent of missions of Alcorn county.

A group of nine young people from the Baptist Orphanage took part in the State High School Choral Music Conference in Vicksburg on Thursday and Friday, March 4th and 5th. They were Besse Lee Bates, Aline Bridges, Nadine Bryan, Lily Buchanan, Patsy Hankins, Ruby Hawkins, Joe Rustin, Edna Stacy and Linda Vinzant.

In an attractive, pocket-size book, "PRAYERS OF THE EARLY CHURCH," J. Manning Potts, editor of the Upper Room, has compiled chronologically a group of prayers. It includes prayers of our Lord, the apostles, and the early church fathers. There are some prayers from each of the first five centuries. The book was prepared as a help in individual and group devotionals as well as development of one's own personal spiritual life. The prayers may be inserted in church bulletins. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from The Upper Room, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville 5, Tennessee, for 50 cents.

Edon Church, Jasper County Association, is inviting friends and former pastors to the laying of the cornerstone for the new brick church that is under construction. Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Mississippi Baptist Executive - secretary, will be the featured speaker. The service will be held at 2 p. m., Sunday, March 14. Rev. Artis Brewer is the pastor.

The following children have recently come to the Baptist Orphanage to make their home from Rankin County, Charles Barrett, 13; Frances Barrett, 11; Jerry Barrett, 9; from Quitman, Roger Ryals, 5; Barbara Ryals, 8; Billy Ryals, 10, and Frances Ryals, 12; from Jackson, Michael Chambers, 4; from McComb, Patricia Shaffer, 7; James Shaffer, 11; from Forrest County, Darryl Grantham, 60; Albert Grantham, 9.

Rev. V. C. Windham was the visiting preacher for a five-day meeting at Boule Street Church, Hattiesburg, which closed March 5. There were four additions by letter, two for baptism. Rev. J. H. Cothen, Sr., is the pastor.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Paul Brown, Sledge; Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Lott, Laurel; T. O. Sumrall, Laurel; Mrs. Mary Lue Wadkins, Laurel; Miss Jo Garrett, Lowell Scruggs, Miss Sarah Perry, Miss Annette White, Miss Carolyn Scruggs, Miss Eloise Davis, all of Murphy, North Carolina; Rev. W. R. Swenson, Duncan; J. T. Oswald, Duncan; J. K. Pierce, Clinton; Rev. Leroy Callahan, Carthage; A. R. Jackson, Carthage; F. Jackson, Carthage; R. L. Philander, Carthage.



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REGISTRATION CARDS FOR SBC

By Joe W. Burton, Secretary

Registration cards for messengers who will attend the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, June 2-5, are available from the office of the Baptist state secretary in your state.

It will greatly facilitate the enrollment of messengers in St. Louis if each messenger will bring his card to St. Louis properly prepared.

Pastors who have not received registration cards may secure them by writing directly to the Baptist state secretary.

The maximum number which any church may designate as messengers to the Convention is ten, as provided by the Convention by-laws. There is no provision for alternates.

The constitutional provision concerning messengers is as follows:

Membership: The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of missionary Baptist churches co-operating with the Convention as follows:

"1. One messenger for each regular Baptist church which is in friendly co-operation with this Convention and sympathetic with its purposes and work and has during the fiscal year preceding been a bona fide contributor to the Convention's work.

"2. One additional messenger from each such church for every 250 members; or for each \$250 paid to the work of the Convention during the fiscal year preceding the annual meeting.

"3. The messengers shall be appointed and certified by the churches to the Convention, but no church may appoint more than ten."

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8TH ARMY'S GENERAL TAYLOR TURNED AWAY FROM CROWDED CHAPEL

If General Maxwell Taylor had any question in his mind about how his soldiers were responding to the army's religious program, he got the answer recently from first-hand experience. The Eighth Army Commander tried to attend religious services at the Eighth Army Chapel in Seoul only to find it so crowded he couldn't get in.

Writing to congratulate Chaplain (Col.) Earl D. Compton, Eighth Army Chaplain, General Taylor said, in part:

"As a leading sinner in this community, bedeviled by problems with forktails, and sorely in the need of consolation of the church and the benefit of your excellent sermon, would you kindly reserve me a seat on future Sunday mornings?"

In reply, Chaplain Compton assured the general a seat would be saved for him. His letter said, in part:

"Your regular attendance at the chapel services is a tremendous inspiration not only to me but to everyone in Eighth Army.

"As I have said many times from the pulpit, never in my life have I seen a more responsible, more enthusiastic or consistently larger congregation than here at Eighth Army."

John Wells To Lead Friendship Campaign



JOHN W. WELLS

Rev. John W. Wells, of Atlanta, Field Secretary of the Home Mission Board, will direct a 12 day Survey-Enlargement and Revival Campaign in the Friendship Church of McComb, March 16-28.

He will use the advanced program of work that Southern Baptists are planning to put into a general "Twenty Year Long Range" program for Rural Churches beginning in 1955.

The Survey will be taken by volunteer workers from the church. A large detailed map of the church field will be used by the director to pin point the membership and the possibilities. Each night one phase of our Southern Baptist work will be carefully discussed and recommendations for improvement will be given.

The pastor is Rev. Gordon Shambarger.

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Man Of Distinction

Desiring to be helpful the Baptist Record offers the following to the liquor crowd. They run advertising concerning "men of distinction" with the implication that liquor is a factor. It seems to have been so, but in reverse concerning the man mentioned in the following lines clipped from a Jackson paper.

"James Dewel Johnson confessed to the slaying of Ard R. Rushton." Johnson is quoted as saying "... After I got home I cried ... I always cry when I'm drunk."

Questioned as to his motive in the murder he was quoted as saying, "I don't know, I was just drunk."

EDITOR'S NOTE: But the victim is as dead as he would be from a shot fired by a sober man.

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Evangelist Claude M. Sailhamer will leave next week for London via Trans-World Airways. He will fly from Jackson to New York and from New York to London. Rev. Sailhamer will visit the Billy Graham Evangelistic Crusade which is being conducted in London, after which he will travel throughout England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland, filling a number of speaking engagements.

12,000 HEAR BILLY GRAHAM IN LONDON

LONDON — (RNS) — Some 12,000 persons jammed Harringay Arena here for the opening of Dr. Billy Graham's three-month London crusade. Hundreds had to be turned away from the stadium which normally seats 11,000 people.

Dr. Graham, whose topic was "Does Christianity Matter?" told his audience he wanted to renew "the great days of the London revivalism of Wesley and Whitfield." But he stressed that no one man of an evangelistic team could bring about a revival.

"Only the Holy Spirit can do that," he said.

Those who expected a theatrical approach from the evangelist were surprised by his informal, and at times colloquial, delivery.

Following Dr. Graham's message, several hundred persons accepted his invitation to make "decisions for Christ."

Dr. Townley Lord, president of the Baptist World Alliance, delivered the opening prayer. Two United States Senators, W. Stuart Symington, Democrat of Missouri, and Styles Bridges, Republican of New Hampshire, were introduced to the audience by Dr. Graham. They were here on an investigation into offshore procurement of aircraft.

Earlier, Dr. Graham held a dedication service in the arena for thousands who helped him organize the London Crusade.

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WHY FORGET THE GOOD

DR. JOHN D. FREEMAN

On January 10, as I journeyed toward Apopka, Florida to attend morning services, I stopped at The Grill in Clermont for breakfast. While waiting to be served, my attention was caught by a sign on the wall behind the counter. It read:

If we do wrong, nobody forgets;
If we do right, nobody remembers.

Somehow that motto seemed to grin at me as it stood out among the pictures, licenses and such which usually appear in such a public eating place, and it seemed to accuse me of being responsible for its being there. I could not hold my eyes from turning again and again to it, so did not enjoy the belated breakfast, and the result was some serious thinking as I drove on.

What is there about the human nature that makes it react as it does, seeming always to see the bad and never to forget a flaw or a fault? If a lovely dress has one small stain on its front, why do I remember that and forget the remainder of the garment? If someone has a striking face and physique, but happens to have a mole on his nose or chin, why do I always recall that defect instead of the magnificence of the remainder of the body? When a fellow has done many kindnesses to me and to others, why must I, whenever I happen to be reminded of him, recall some slight he gave me instead of remembering his goodness?

It is high time we were launching a movement, the aim of which is to bring people to realize that the spot, the scar, the mole, the slight, are abnormalities, hence they should never be allowed to occupy the files of memory to the exclusion of that which is so much larger, so much more precious, so much more worth remembering. We should preach and teach these fundamentals until the strange direction which depravity has given memories can be changed. These are:



Shown above is the Washington Church, Union Association, and the recently completed two-story educational annex. This was done under the leadership of Rev. Ellis O. Smith who became pastor in September, 1953. The church was organized in 1950 under the Missionary program of Rev. W. E. Hardy, who was Associational Missionary at the time. During his pastorate there, the sanctuary was erected.

The Sunday School has been departmentalized and has gained rapidly in enrollment. Hugh W. Brister is the Superintendent. This church has received the Baptist Record since its organization.

Baptists Plan To Open More Day Schools

REASONS FOR TITHING

The Associate Reformed Presbyterian presents an article with the heading, "If does not cost one cent to tithe." The writer, Mr. H. B. McGill, begins: "God says it does not cost one cent to tithe (Mal., 3:10,11). Christ says it does not cost one cent to tithe (Luke 6:38). The apostle Paul says it does not cost one cent to tithe (2 Cor. 9:6).

FOURTEEN REASONS

Mr. McGill then gives fourteen reasons why we should tithe. These reasons are:

1. God's ownership (Ps. 24:1). The writer explains each of these reasons, which, on account of lack of space we omit.

2. God has laid claim to His tithe in Lev. 27:30-32.

3. God has commanded that we pay it. (Mal. 3:10).

4. It is our duty. As Christians we acknowledge our duty to God.

5. It is the way God has decreed to finance His kingdom.

6. We become partners with God in His work in a financial way.

7. We are laying up treasures in heaven where moth does not corrupt.

8. If we do not we are cursed with a curse (Mal. 3:9). Failure in the past to pay the tithe and preach the Gospel to the world is the reason the curse of Communism is on us today and we have to pay the god of war 45 billion a year in defense.

9. We should pay the tithe to God to keep from paying it to Satan and his kingdom, the war gods, the devourer, etc.

10. When we pay the tithe we are doing the will of God as in the first three reasons set forth here.

11. To keep from robbing God (Mal. 3:8). Robbing is a crime.

12. God overpays us for what we do for Him.

13. To keep God from visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the children (Ex. 20:5).

14. It is obeying one of God's commands. If we love God we will keep His commands. The Covenant Witness.